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MEMORANDUM TO: Colonel White

SUBJECT : Storage of Furniture and Household Effects for
Employees assigned to []

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1. The attached memorandum from the COA/DDP raises once again the question of storage of furniture and household effects for Agency personnel assigned to []. It advises the [] stores furniture and household effects for [] personnel assigned to [] and that it is inconsistent for Agency personnel at [] who are [] not to receive comparable benefits. The memorandum also states that the restriction on storage of furniture adversely affects the obtaining of personnel for service on [].

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2. The matter has been discussed with General Counsel who advises that [] can store furniture for its personnel irrespective of where assigned but that existing laws do not allow free storage for Government civilian employees assigned to territorial possessions or non-emergency areas. General Counsel also advises this matter is presently being investigated by a committee appointed by the President, and that as a result of the findings of this committee, legislation to relieve the situation is contemplated.

3. Under existing law, this Agency cannot provide free storage for furniture or household effects of employees assigned to []. This could only be done under the special powers of the Director after a showing that storage is necessary and essential for the operation of the Agency. It is my understanding that General Counsel would not recommend the use of the DCI's special powers in this circumstance.

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4. It is recommended, therefore, that this matter remain in abeyance pending the result of the President's committee and subsequent legislation on this matter. It is further recommended that the COA/DDP be so advised. A buck slip for this purpose is attached for your signature.

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